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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 10/027,669	Applicant(s) AKELLA ET AL.	
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All Participants:

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(2) Carol G. Mintz.

Status of Application: _____

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Date of Interview: 9 February 2004

Time:

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

All.

Claims discussed:

All.

Prior art documents discussed:

All.

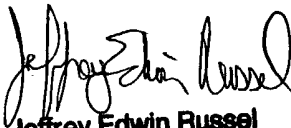
Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


Jeffrey Edwin Russel
Primary Patent Examiner
Art Unit 1654

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Applicants' response filed January 20, 2004 will be entered and overcomes all of the rejections set forth in the final Office action, with the exception of the obviousness rejection over the Chemical Abstract 132:40522x. The examiner will order a copy of the reference upon which the abstract is based (Chinese Patent 1,163,780) and a translation of the reference, and apply them in a non-final office action. The examiner expects this will take at least 2 weeks. .